



NORTH BRANFORD SOCIAL SERVICES

OPERATION FUEL

Generation Power CT, formerly Operation Fuel, is on a mission to lead the way so current and future generations can thrive with secure access to heat, power, and water.

Generation Power CT will administer an emergency energy assistance program for Connecticut residents in need of financial assistance to meet their home energy needs (electricity, gas, deliverable fuels), without an assets test. Generation Power CT will facilitate the emergency energy assistance program in (4) cycles each year:

Cycle #1: September 2-10

Cycle #2: November 2-10

Cycle #3: January 2-10

Cycle #4: March 2-10

Generation Power CT offers emergency energy assistance to households who:

- 1) Fall outside the government assistance eligibility guidelines or
- 2) Have exhausted their government assistance and
- 3) Demonstrate household income at or below 75% State Median Income (SMI)

Income Eligibility

Households earning up to 75% SMI are eligible for Generation Power CT emergency energy assistance grants.

Assistance Eligibility Guidelines

Deliverable Fuel Assistance (oil/propane): Generation Power CT administers \$500 assistance grants to households applying for fuel assistance. The award can only be used for future fuel delivery, not past due balance. This is a one-time delivery and cannot result in a balance for the customer to receive a second delivery or credit to their account. The delivery must be made within **30 days of the approval date**. The vendor must submit an invoice within 30 days of the delivery date.

Utility Assistance (gas or electric): Generation Power CT administers up to \$500 toward a past due utility bill for customers who have a current past due bill in the name of a current household or a shut off notice

Application Process

Households can apply for one emergency energy assistance award in a 12-month period. To apply, clients can visit www.gpct.org/qethelp and click on “apply now”. This will bring

them to GPCT's online application portals. You may also apply by appointment with the Town of North Branford Office of Social Services.

All applicants must:

1. Provide an email address-If you do not have one, *you must create one before your appointment*
2. Provide proof of income for all people over 21 in the household. Most recent (4) weeks of paystubs showing total gross income. If paid weekly, will require (4) paystubs; if paid bi-weekly, will require (2) paystubs; if paid monthly, will require (1) paystub; Social Security benefit letter: provide a copy of their benefit letter showing monthly payment with cost-of-living adjustments for the calendar year in which they are applying or a copy of a bank statement with their name on it, showing a monthly deposit from US Dept of Treasury SSA . GPCT does not accept 1099 forms, tax statements, or DSS worksheets
3. Households can demonstrate categorical eligibility by providing a CT Energy Assistance Program (CEAP) letter, dated within the current CEAP cycle or the SSI Letter dated within the current calendar year
4. If not currently working or receiving income paystubs, individuals over 21 may attest to that by completing a GPCT- specific form for Zero income, Friends & Family Support, or Self-Employment. These forms are located on our website www.gpct.org/gethelp or will be generated at your appointment time with North Branford Social Services.

Utility Customers:

Current utility bill: current utility bill or shut off notice with a past due balance of 30 days or more. The bill must be in the name of a household member.

Payment history: provide a payment history for their utility account for the 12 months preceding their application date. Payment history must show applicants made (4) payments in the last 12-month period.

Notification:

Generation Power CT provides notice regarding all application decisions to clients via email only.